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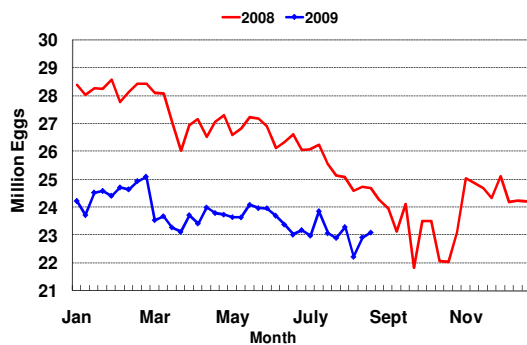
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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 5 Percent from Last Year

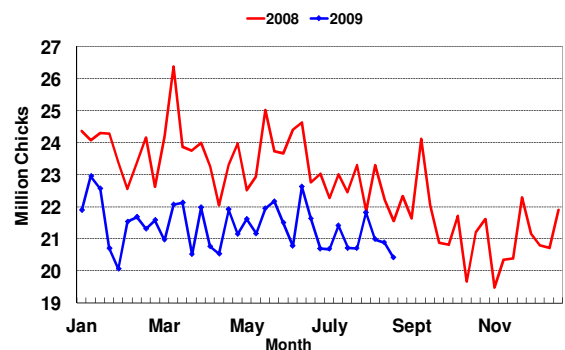
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.4 million during the week ending August 29, 2009. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week in 2008 and down 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 29, 2009, down 6 percent from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2008-2009



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, August 1, 2009 - August 29, 2009

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	1-Aug	8-Aug	15-Aug	22-Aug	29-Aug	1-Aug	8-Aug	15-Aug	22-Aug	29-Aug
	<i>Thousand</i>					<i>Thousand</i>				
Alabama	29,079	27,532 *	28,946	27,755 *	28,713	21,071	20,988	20,248	20,182 *	20,302
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>22,900</b>	<b>23,295 *</b>	<b>22,223</b>	<b>22,920 *</b>	<b>23,093</b>	<b>20,714</b>	<b>21,833</b>	<b>20,998</b>	<b>20,895 *</b>	<b>20,425</b>
Delaware	3,289	3,659	3,788	3,745	3,365	5,153	4,591	4,876	4,696	4,449
Florida	999	915	885	885	899	741	743	724	727	729
Georgia	31,471	31,309	30,858	31,587	31,708	26,953	26,391	26,252	26,504	25,202
Kentucky	7,433 *	7,649 *	7,790	7,664	7,534	6,876	6,341	6,190	6,457	6,487
Louisiana	3,455	3,455	3,455	3,455	3,424	2,948	2,914	2,955	3,003	3,020
Maryland	8,987	8,964	8,956	8,957	8,854	5,619	6,242	5,869	6,277	6,647
Mississippi	18,259	18,451	18,095	18,218	18,104	15,996	16,183	16,360	16,218	16,298
N. Carolina	18,764	18,425 *	18,656	18,500	18,235	15,135	15,586	15,017	15,684	14,996
Oklahoma	6,884	6,422 *	6,757	6,959	6,817	5,025	4,095	4,163	4,499	4,953
Pennsylvania	3,962	3,884 *	3,907 *	3,679 *	3,907	3,209	3,424 *	3,216 *	3,206 *	3,084
S. Carolina	5,736	5,839	5,815	5,758	5,533	4,395	4,661	4,926	4,827 *	5,130
Texas	15,378	15,129 *	15,409	14,843	14,847	13,292	13,213	13,166	13,116	12,881
Virginia	6,192	6,149	6,154	6,089	6,100	4,898	4,878	5,171	4,789	4,721
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,530	18,671 *	18,560 *	18,483	18,520	15,129	17,300	17,051 *	15,267 *	16,422
19 State Total	201,318 *	199,748 *	200,254 *	199,497 *	199,653	167,154	169,383 *	167,182 *	166,347 *	165,746
Prev. Year Total	207,229	207,161	207,095	206,837	204,988	172,890	173,001	172,779	170,273	170,083
% of Prev. Year	97	96	97	96	97	97	98	97	98	97

\* Revised in current week.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Down 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 200 million eggs in incubators during the week ending August 29, 2009. This was down 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler Chicks Placed Down 3 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 29, 2009. Placements were down 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2008 through August 29, 2009 were 5.89 billion, down 5 percent from the same period a year earlier.